

## St. Anne's Church, West Heath Church Wardens' Update April 2023

St. Anne's church has now begun a period of interregnum during which time the two church wardens, Janet Bradley and Georgina Arnold, and the Area Dean, Phelim O'Hare are responsible for the running of the church. We have decided that we would like to keep everyone up to date about what is happening and have decided to produce monthly updates as these proved to be very useful during the last interregnum for keeping people well informed about what was happening. So, this is the first update.

- The PCC met with Jenny Tomlinson, Archdeacon, and Phelim O'Hare, Area Dean on Thursday 30th March to discuss the interregnum and the type of help we will receive. They are both keen to support us and will be leading some of our services during the year.
- We have begun the process of looking for people to lead our Holy Communion Services and are pleased to say that the calendar is gradually becoming full. Initially Rev. Stuart and Gill will lead most of our services until the end of April. As Joan's recovery progresses she will be able to give sermons and lead our services. We have also booked services to be led by two Bishops, the Archdeacon, the Area Dean and several other clergy. The Area Dean has agreed to lead our service on Christmas morning! We are now trying to find some readers to help fill the gaps on the calendar. When we cannot get ministers to lead our services we will have Morning Worship instead of Holy Communion led by readers or church wardens.
- Livestreaming of services: for a couple of months we have been having issues with the computer when livestreaming. Malcolm Sparey has investigated this and has found out that the laptop cannot cope with the demands of livestreaming and overheats causing lots of problems. Malcolm has found out what specifications we need to enable us to run the OBS program (this enables us to livestream) and has been told what sort of pc we need to buy. The Standing Committee of the PCC are meeting after the service this morning to decide which of the two suitable pcs we should purchase. Hopefully we should be able to resume livestreaming in the next few weeks.
- The website. Georgina will be using the church laptop to gradually start updating our church website.
- Oversight Ministry. During the last year the PCC has been discussing the introduction of oversight
  areas through which groups of parish churches can explore ways of supporting each other. On
  Saturday 25th March Georgina, Ian, Chrissie and Joan attended a meeting at St. Laurence with
  members of the other four churches in our area to discuss ways in which the churches could work
  together. It was a positive meeting with lots of ideas being shared. We are going to put up a display
  about Oversight Ministry in the corridor so that you can find out more about what this involves.
- If you do have any questions about the interregnum please ask Janet or Georgina and they will try to answer them for you.

Georgina Arnold and Janet Bradley
1st April 2023